IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

MONDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF MARCH
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MS JUSTICE G.ROHINI

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WRIT PETITION NO : 4347 of 2005

Between:

G.Ranga Rao, s/o late Ratnaiah,
r/o Visakhapatnam rep., by his Special Power of
Attorney Holder S.V.Subba Rao, s/o Rama Sastrulu,
aged about 65 years, r/o Eluru, W.G.District.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1 The Conservator of Forests, Rajahmundry Circle,
Rajahmundry, East Godavari District.
2 The Sub-Divisional Forest Officer, (Authorised Officer),
Koyyalagudem, W.G.District.

...RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue a writ, order or direction more in the nature of writ of mandamus directing the 1st respondent to complete the enquiry under Provisions of Section 44(2-d) of A.P. Forest Act, 1967 at an early date by disposing of the appeal filed by the petitioner on 7-4-2004 by declaring the action of the 1st respondent in not completing the enquiry so far as illegal, arbitrary and contrary to law.

Counsel for the Petitioner: MR.V.S.N.SARMA

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR FORESTS

The Court at the stage of admission made the following :

ORDER:

This writ petition is filed aggrieved by the inaction on the part of the first respondent-Conservator of Forests, Rajahmundry Circle, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District,
in disposing of the appeal preferred by the petitioner under Section 44(2)(d) of A.P. Forest Act, 1967, against the order of the second respondent-Sub-Divisional Forest Officer, (Authorised Officer), Koyyalagudem, W.G.District dated 18.03.2004.

Having heard learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for Forest appearing for the respondents, without expressing any opinion on merits, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the first respondent to dispose of the appeal preferred by the petitioner against the order dated 18.03.2004 passed by the second respondent, which is pending on his file, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of this order.

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07.03.2005

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To

1 The Conservator of Forests, Rajahmundry Circle,
Rajahmundry, East Godavari District.

2 The Sub-Divisional Forest Officer, (Authorised Officer),
Koyyalagudem, W.G.District.

3 Two CCs to the GP for Forests, High Court of A.P.,
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